(d) There is no such proposal at present.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

Rehabilitation of child labour employed in fire works

200. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of overwhelmingly large number of bonded children below 14 years of age employed in fire works and match factories in different South Indian States, including Sivakasi fire work factories from twelve to fourteen hours a day in dark and dingy conditions; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government during the past three years to liberate such bonded child labour and how many of them have been emancipated from such bondage and rehabilitated during the period?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) The Government is aware of the fact that children below the age of 14 are working as Child Labour in the fire works and match factories in South India.

(b) The Government are implementing the National Child Labour Projects (NCLPs) in the area for some years now. The number of children working in the above named industry has been declining consistently in the last few years.

Nation-wide coverage drive for uncovered establishments

201. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have launched a nation-wide coverage drive for uncovered establishments/factories, including fteeoV-workers during January-February, 2005;

(b) if so, the details of the Nation-wide coverage drive;

(c) the details of the number of establishments/factories and *beedi* workers establishments detected, State-wise, during this Nation-wide Drive

with regards to under reporting their employment strength, evasion of coverage of membership under the EPF act and cases of defaulting in monthly remittance of statutory contributions and timely submission of returns under EPF Act;

(d) the details of action taken against the defaulted establishments State-wise; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) to.(c) Yes, Sir. Employees' Provident Fund Organisation had launched a Nation-wide Coverage Drive during the period January 2005-March 2005 for coverage of uncovered establishments/ factories including *beedi* establishments. The details of establishments covered and members enrolled (including the members in respect of establishments under reporting) are at Statement-I. *(See below)*

(d) The details are given at Statement-ll. (See *below)*

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

Statement-l

Special Drive Coverage During the period

January 2005 to March 2005

SI. No.	Region	N of Beedi Estts.	No. of Beedi Members	No of Non-Beedi Estts.	No. Non-Beedi Members	Estts.	Grand Total Members
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Andhra Pradesh	83	23095	1909	4658	1992	69153
2	Bihar	0	0	228	6033	228	6033
3	Chattisgarh	0	0	89	3579	89	3579
4	Delhi	0	0	1851	35903	1851	35903
5	Goa	0	0	70	2205	70	2205
6	Gujarat	0	0	1277	36257	t277	36257
7	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	335	7833	335	7855
8	Haryana	0	0	1945	73846	1945	73846
9	Jharkhand	2	4233	283	7054	285	11287

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	Karnataka	7	274	930	25945	937	26219
11	Kerala	0	113	321	7800	321	7913
12	Maharashtra	11	502	606	15690	617	16192
13	Madhya Pradesh	19	2031	1969	59150	1988	61181
14	North Eastern Regi	on 0	21	170	5357	170	5378
15	Orissa	43	8649	603	23025	646	31674
16	Punjab	0	0	1115	26221	1115	26221
17	Rajasthan	8	386	1164	31526	1172	31912
18	Tamil Nadu	0	2978	1560	66557	1560	69535
19	Uttar Pradesh	97	2129	1767	46273	1864	.48402
20	Uttaranchal	0	0	184	5960	184	5960
21	West Bengal	0	, 2676	1208	23310	1208	25986
	Total:	270	47087	19584	555582	19854	602669

Statement-II

Details of Action Taken Against Defaulters

During the year 2004-05

SI. No.	Region	7A Cases Initiated	Prosecution u/s 14 (in respect of EPF Scheme, 1952)	Prosecution u/s 406/409 of IPC (FIR filed with Police)	Total Penal Damages . . Levied (Rs. in Lakh)
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Andhra Pradesh	3693	721	18	717.03
2	Bihar	1233	182	4	95291
3	Chattisgarh	192	0	4	543.97
4	Delhi	296	0	10	541.35
5	Goa	332	45	1	26.14
6	Gujarat	1105	33	12	549.37
7	Himachal Pradesh	413	0	0	62.51
8	Haryana	1435	55	8	763.12
9	Jharkhand	315	0	0	236.52
10	Karnataka	3412	317	244	1949.03
11	Kerala	2406	149	88	122570
12	Maharashtra	6164	0	5	2826.70

1	2	3	4	5	6
13	Madhya Pradesh	1172	0	3	2284.29
14	North Eastern Region	401	0	0	652.93
15	Orissa	696	2	0	548.53
16	Punjab	2241	56	6	407.31
17	Rajasthan	891	0	8	412.09
18	Tamil Nadu	7240	223	179	3772.33
19	Uttar Pradesh	300	0	1	696.82
20	Uttaranchal	1269	0	2	863.46
21	West Bengal	1921	1689	91	331.06
	TOTAL :	37127	3472	684	20363.17

Facilities to talented People

202. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a recent report by the United Nations Development Programme estimates that 100,00 Indian professionals leave the country every year to take up jobs in the United States;

(b) if so, the main driving force for the brain-drain and potential economic losses to the country due to this mass migration; and

(c) what incentives/facilities Government propose to give to our exceptionally talented people so that they may stay back in India?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) As per Global Human Development Report 2001 of United Nations, about 100,00 Indian Professionals in a year are expected . to take new visas recently issued by the United States.

(b) Most of the students go abroad for higher studies or employment after completing their undergraduate studies. Due to high mobility of students and scientists accurate estimation of cost of loss to the country as a result of emigration to US or any other country is not feasible.

(c) Several measures have been taken from time to time by the Government to minimize the outflow of professionals from various fields